

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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INVENTION:      "PERSON AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, PERSON  
AUTHENTICATION METHOD, INFORMATION PROCESSING  
APPARATUS, AND PROGRAM PROVIDING MEDIUM"

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**AMENDMENT "B" AFTER FINAL**

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This Amendment "B" After Final is filed in response to the Final Office Action of August 28, 2003. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.